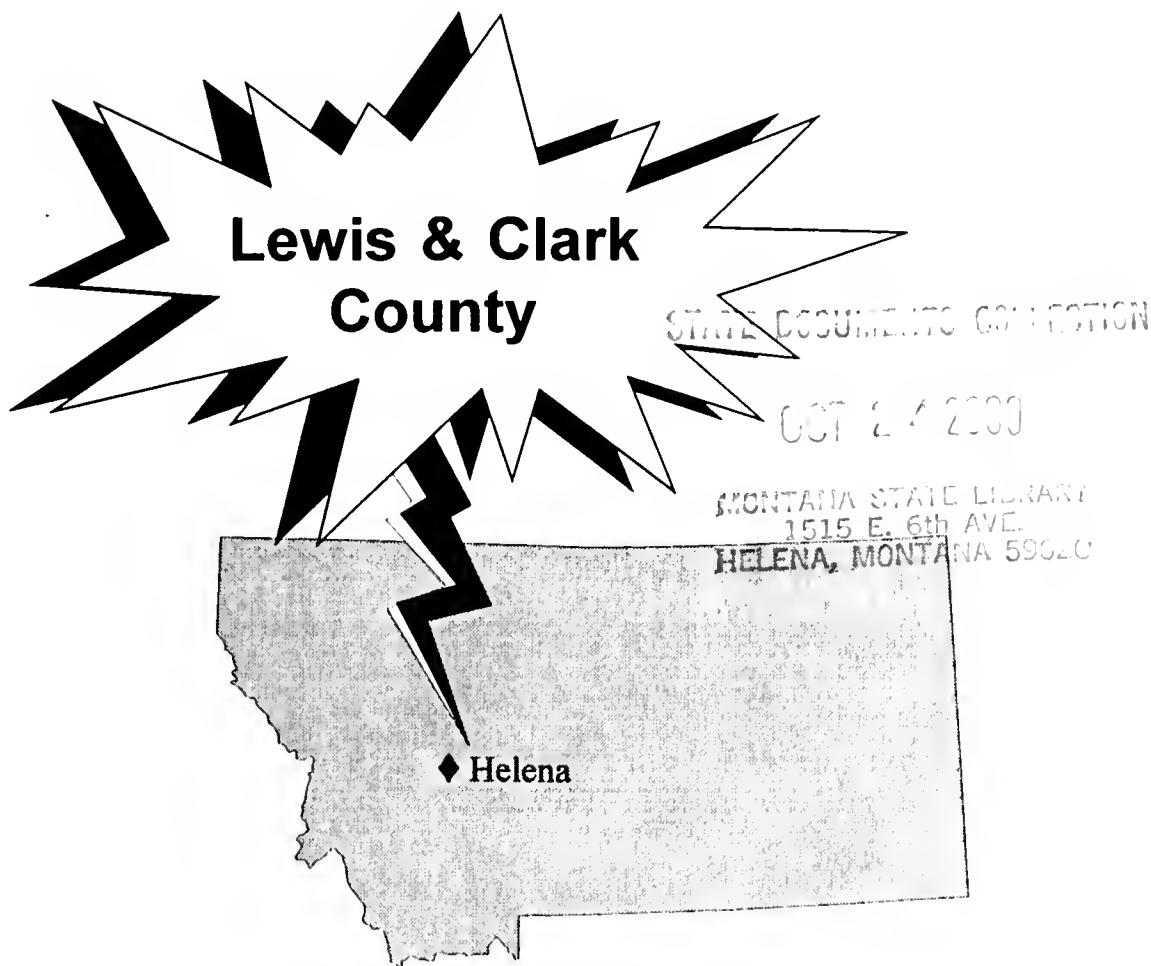


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Labor Market Information for



Cities and Towns in Lewis & Clark County

Augusta	◆	Austin	◆	Canyon Creek	◆	Canyon Ferry
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Lincoln	◆	Marysville	◆	Rimini	◆	Wolf Creek

The most current county-by-county information can be found in our quarterly publication *Employment and Labor Force Trends*. And most of our information is on the Internet at <http://jsd.dli.mt.gov/lmi/lmi.htm>. In addition, we'll do our best to provide information in accessible format, on request, in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

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Lewis & Clark County

Located in western Montana, Lewis & Clark County is Montana's sixth most populous with 47,495 residents, according to the 1990 Census.

Helena, the county seat, is the state's fifth largest city with a population of 24,609. The city is located at the junction of Interstate 15 and U.S. Highways 12 and 287, halfway between Glacier and Yellowstone National Parks. Nicknamed the "Queen City of the Rockies," Helena is a major cultural and recreational area.

According to the *Montana Almanac*, by authors Andrea Merrill and Judy Jacobson, the county was established in 1865, was one of the first nine territorial counties and was originally named Edgerton County for the first territorial Governor Sidney Edgerton. The authors say Helena was named after Helena, Minnesota, by former resident of Minnesota John Somerville.

According to the U.S. Bureau of the Census, median income for Lewis and Clark County households in 1989 was \$26,409. The county is 3,497.6 square miles in area; 3,461 square miles in land area and 36.6 in inland water area.

County residents experience the four distinct seasons. According to the *Montana Almanac*, the average daily low in January between 1980 and 1989 was 10.7 degrees above zero and average January snowfall 8.9 inches. The average daily high in July was 82.1 degrees above. The annual precipitation in 1995 was 12.41 inches and the length of the growing season 102 days.

Top 20 Private Employers In Lewis & Clark County		
Listed In Alphabetical Order		
Albertson's ASARCO BDM Technologies Big Sky Care Center Blue Cross/Blue Shield Carroll College County Market	Family Outreach Inc. Federal Reserve Bank Hennessy's (Dillards) Independent Record Rocky Mountain Development Council Safeway St. Peter's Hospital	Shodair Shopko U S WEST Wal-Mart Watkins & Shepard Trucking West Mont
Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Office of Research & Analysis. First Quarter 1998 Unemployment Insurance Information. This list includes ONLY private industry employers subject to Unemployment Insurance. Railroads and city, county, state and federal government agencies (including public school districts and universities) are excluded.		

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Annual Average Labor Force For Lewis & Clark County				
Year	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unem- ployed	Unem- ployment Rate
1970	15,725	15,185	540	3.4%
1971	16,122	15,486	636	3.9%
1972	16,912	16,293	619	3.7%
1973	17,338	16,590	748	4.3%
1974	17,987	17,136	851	4.7%
1975	18,510	17,626	884	4.8%
1976	20,077	19,155	922	4.6%
1977	22,730	21,589	1,141	5.0%
1978	24,406	23,049	1,357	5.6%
1979	24,472	23,309	1,163	4.8%
1980	24,715	23,474	1,241	5.0%
1981	25,583	24,102	1,481	5.8%
1982	25,930	24,074	1,856	7.2%
1983	26,262	24,364	1,898	7.2%
1984	24,950	23,317	1,633	6.5%
1985	25,719	23,980	1,739	6.8%
1986	26,268	24,521	1,747	6.7%
1987	26,679	24,931	1,748	6.6%
1988	26,031	24,542	1,489	5.7%
1989	25,783	24,567	1,216	4.7%
1990	25,554	24,404	1,150	4.5%
1991	25,720	24,250	1,470	5.7%
1992	26,490	25,010	1,480	5.6%
1993	26,880	25,500	1,380	5.1%
1994	27,520	26,385	1,135	4.1%
1995	27,536	26,112	1,424	5.2%
1996	27,671	26,421	1,250	4.5%
1997	28,383	26,984	1,399	4.9%

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Office of Research & Analysis (1998 Benchmark)

Summary of Major Occupational Categories By Sex 1990 Census-Equal Employment Opportunity Data Civilian Labor Force-All Persons			
Occupation	Total	Male	Female
Total	24,365	12,582	11,783
Managerial and Professional Specialty Occupations	8,164	4,390	3,774
Executive, Administrative and Managerial Occupations	4,000	2,250	1,750
Professional Specialty Occupations	4,164	2,140	2,024
Technical, Sales and Administrative Support Occupations	7,538	2,439	5,099
Technicians and Related Support Occupations	850	432	418
Sales Occupations	2,164	1,153	1,011
Administrative Support Occupations, Including Clerical	4,524	854	3,670
Service Occupations	3,562	1,386	2,176
Private Household Occupations	73	7	66
Protective Service Occupations	332	296	36
Service Occupations, Except Protective and Household	3,157	1,083	2,074
Farming, Forestry, Fishing	618	453	165
Precision Production, Craft and Repair Occupations	2,038	1,852	186
Mechanics and Repairers	737	721	16
Construction Trade	853	798	55
Extractive Occupations	67	54	13
Precision Production Occupations	381	279	102
Operators, Fabricators and Laborers	2,342	2,020	322
Machine Operators, Assemblers and Inspectors	642	519	123
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	861	769	92
Handlers, Equipment Cleaners, Helpers and Laborers	839	732	107
Unemployed, No Recent Civilian Work Experience	103	42	61

Census and Economic Information Center, Montana Department of Commerce, Helena, MT 59620, 406-444-2896

Resources

⇒ Chambers of Commerce:

Helena Chamber, 225 Cruse, Helena, MT 59601, 406-442-4120
Lincoln Valley Chamber, P. O. Box 985, Lincoln, MT 59639, 406-362-4949

⇒ Department of Labor and Industry

Helena Job Service
715 Front St., Helena, MT 59601, 406-447-3200

Helena Telephone Center

P. O. Box 201502, Helena, MT 59620-1502, 406-444-2545

Montana Department of Labor & Industry's Office of Research & Analysis Publications

For information on employment by industry, new businesses, labor market information, profile of the Montana worker, job projections to the year 2006 and hourly pay by occupation, contact the office at any of the numbers listed on the front of this publication or check out our Internet website at <http://jsd.dli.mt.gov/lmi/lmi.htm>.

⇒ Housing Costs:

Helena Association of Realtors, Multiple Listing Service, 406-449-3835

⇒ Internet

Montana Job Service home page for job listings at <http://jsd.dli.mt.gov/>
Cities and towns of Augusta, Canyon Creek, East Helena, Fort Harrison, Helena, Lincoln, Marysville and Wolf Creek Home Pages—Use the Search Utilities on the Internet to find home pages for Montana cities.

⇒ Montana Motor Vehicle Division:

Drivers' Licensing
Helena—Lundy Shopping Center, 406-443-3680

⇒ Newspaper:

Helena Independent Record, P. O. Box 4249, Helena, MT 59604, 406-447-4000
Blackfoot Valley Dispatch, P. O. Box 427, Lincoln, MT 59639, 406-362-4975

⇒ Public Libraries:

Augusta Community Library, Main Street, Augusta, MT 59410-0387, 406-562-3348
Lewis & Clark Public Library, 120 S. Last Chance Gulch, Helena, MT 59601-4133, 406-447-1690
Lincoln Community Library, Main Street, Lincoln, MT 59639-0480, 406-362-4300

⇒ Postsecondary Education Institutions:

Montana University System

Helena College of Technology of the University of Montana, 1115 Roberts St., Helena, MT 59601, 406-444-6800 or 800-241-4882

Independent College

Carroll College, 1601 N. Benton Ave., Helena, MT 59601, 406-447-4300

⇒ Superintendent of Schools, Kindergarten through 12th Grade:

Auchard Creek Elementary, Wolf Creek, MT 59648, 406-562-3528
Augusta Public Schools, P. O. Box 307, Augusta, MT 59410, 406-562-3384
Craig Elementary, Wolf Creek, MT 59648, 406-235-4239
East Helena Elementary, P. O. Box 1280, East Helena, MT 59635, 406-227-6631
Helena Public Schools, P. O. Box 5417, Helena, MT 59604, 406-447-8595
Kessler Elementary, 2420 Choteau St., Helena, MT 59601, 406-442-0150
Lincoln Schools, P. O. Box 39, Lincoln, MT 59639, 406-362-4201
Trinity Elementary, P. O. Box 523, Canyon Creek, MT 59633, 406-368-2288
Wolf Creek Elementary, Box 196, Wolf Creek, MT 59648, 406-235-4353

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Lewis & Clark County Employment By Industry* Annual Averages 1997

Industry	# of Estab- lish- ments	Average Annual Employ- ment	Annual Wages Paid	Industry	# of Estab- lish- ments	Average Annual Employ- ment	Annual Wages Paid
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	2,170	27,226	\$649,670,427	Bldg Materials-Garden	24	203	\$4,042,329
PRIVATE BUSINESS	2,034	18,822	\$396,024,661	General Merchandise	9	715	\$8,844,108
AGRI., FORESTRY, FISH	40	267	\$3,822,322	Food Stores	42	714	\$10,169,383
Agriculture Production Crops	6	78	\$900,905	Auto Dealers-Service Stations	58	524	\$11,784,606
Agriculture Production Livestock	7	92	\$1,640,305	Apparel & Accessories	20	83	\$797,389
Agriculture Services	24	96	\$1,262,012	Furniture Stores	47	225	\$3,758,175
MINING	13	51	\$2,548,188	Eating & Drinking	153	1,925	\$15,336,902
Metal Mining	7	25	\$1,833,242	Miscellaneous Retail	89	533	\$7,825,681
Mining & Quarry Nonmetal	4	24	\$698,370	FINANCE, INSURANCE, REAL ESTATE	191	1,758	\$50,172,222
CONSTRUCTION	231	1,189	\$32,149,356	Banking	25	616	\$13,676,605
General Building	73	385	\$10,071,330	Credit Agencies	15	133	\$3,765,324
Heavy Construction	17	81	\$2,262,556	Security & Commodity	9	31	\$1,825,881
Special Trade	141	723	\$19,815,470	Insurance Agents	33	176	\$5,951,733
MANUFACTURING	85	1,016	\$28,247,776	Real Estate	79	238	\$4,055,084
Apparel	3	6	\$49,129	Holding & Investments	8	42	\$1,547,610
Lumber	15	68	\$1,516,328	SERVICES	661	7,901	\$187,477,628
Printing-Publishing	11	274	\$5,707,088	Hotels & Lodging	26	356	\$3,871,519
Chemicals	4	123	\$4,826,874	Personal Services	29	183	\$1,834,888
Stone-Clay-Glass	4	57	\$1,892,478	Business Service	119	855	\$16,636,653
Fabricated Metal	3	12	\$233,129	Auto Repair Services	64	269	\$4,473,604
Nonelectrical Machinery**	4	23	\$413,109	Miscellaneous Repair Services	25	111	\$2,338,727
Miscellaneous Manufacturing	5	48	\$894,395	Motion Pictures	10	76	\$684,553
TRANS., COMMUN., UTILITIES	81	962	\$29,050,382	Amusement & Recreation	56	640	\$5,720,192
Local Transportation	5	103	\$826,848	Health Services	132	2,105	\$64,069,268
Trucking-Warehousing	29	298	\$8,436,569	Legal Services	43	222	\$7,399,076
Water Transportation	4	11	\$184,827	Social Services	61	1,153	\$17,069,692
Air Transportation	8	146	\$2,829,656	Membership Organizations	98	631	\$14,534,389
Transport Services	9	35	\$826,947	Engineering Services	132	832	\$30,450,444
Communication	17	249	\$10,322,978	Private Households	29	46	\$497,314
Elec., Gas, Sanitation	6	116	\$6,418,080	Miscellaneous Services	3	16	\$684,462
WHOLESALE TRADE	99	765	\$19,945,388	GOVERNMENT	136	8,404	\$253,645,766
Durable Goods	81	337	\$9,880,174	State	36	4,832	\$141,668,637
Nondurable Goods	38	427	\$10,055,214	Local	42	2,160	\$53,426,254
RETAIL TRADE	447	4,925	\$82,538,453	Federal	59	1,310	\$56,662,976

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*Employment Covered by Unemployment Insurance

**Industrial & Commercial Machinery & Computer Equipment

Per Capita Personal Income

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Source: U. S. Department of Commerce Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System. Released May 1998.

PLEASE NOTE: Because of time and budget constraints, we are only able to update our county flyers periodically. Individual tables are updated on a more frequent basis. You can call us if you'd like the most current information for a particular county. The Annual Averages for County Employment By Industry are updated annually, usually in June. The Top Employers are updated annually. Per Capita Income statewide is usually released late spring and county data around August each year. Population data for Montana is usually released in March and county data may be released at a different time. The Annual Average Labor Force information is benchmarked annually and numbers available before March. The other tables contain Census information and will be updated every 10 years. You can also look for more current information on our website listed on the front of this publication.

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Persons by Age, Race and Sex

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	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female	
5-11	5,326	2,587	13	4	148	61	26	17	113	57	26	14	
12-14	1,995	951	5	2	64	32	13	8	42	21	8	5	
15-17	1,951	981	5	2	88	38	10	7	32	18	6	6	
18-21	2,350	1,188	8	3	87	27	30	17	39	23	7	5	
Total	11,622	5,685	29	11	345	178	79	47	228	119	45	30	

Eskimo/Aleut/ Asian or Pacific													
Working & Voting Age		White		Black		American Indian		Islander		Hispanic Origin		Other Race	
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16+	34,719	18,016	41	18	726	385	165	103	337	180	79	40	
16-64	29,284	14,859	30	13	672	355	156	96	316	171	76	37	
18+	33,395	17,336	37	17	685	385	156	98	317	169	76	37	
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Other Age Group	Eskimo/Aleut/ Asian or Pacific											
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18-44	19,200	9,825	20	9	481	239	114	70	243	132	61	28
45-64	8,760	4,354	8	3	170	96	35	23	53	28	12	6
62+	8,510	3,697	12	6	68	40	12	6	26	11	4	3
65+	5,435	3,157	11	5	54	30	9	5	21	9	3	3
Total	45,991	23,503	69	27	1,059	565	242	149	576	301	134	72

Source: Census and Economic Information Center, Montana Department of Commerce, Helena, MT 59620, 406-444-2896.

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County of Residence	# Who Work In Lewis & Clark County	County of Work	# Who Live in Lewis & Clark County
Out of State	134	Out of State	163
Broadwater County	192	Broadwater County	24
Cascade County	90	Cascade County	97
Gallatin County	124	Gallatin County	73
Jefferson County	1,486	Jefferson County	389
Lewis & Clark County	22,026	Lewis & Clark County	22,026
Missoula County	88	Missoula County	63
Powell County	82	Silver Bow County	38
Silver Bow County	34	Other Montana Counties	88
Teton County	38		
Yellowstone County	21		
Other Montana Counties	122		

Source: 1990 Census Data provided by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.